

# Reds Outlawed By Elks in 1948

(This is the second in a series of articles describing the history of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. This article describes some of the history of the organization in its early days, during the late years of the 19th century.)

During its second decade, beginning in 1878, the Elks continued to grow from the small group of 15 members which had founded it in 1868.

From 10 chapters of the order in 1878, it grew to 92 chapters in 1888. The number of members grew tenfold, from 820 to 8952 during this 10-year period.

Members began to give some attention to qualifications for membership in the Elks. During the early days, the only qualifications necessary were that a man be 21, and be proposed by a Devout Elder of the order.

In 1886, it was decided that all applications for membership should be referred to a committee which would investigate the references of the applicant. Citizenship was required for the first time in 1890.

"Belief in a Supreme Being" was added as a requirement in 1892, with "possession of the five human senses" made mandatory

in 1907. In 1946, the word "God" was substituted for "existence of a Supreme Being."

Communist members of the order were outlawed at the 1948 session of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary, now one of the most important officers of the Elks, had his salary raised to \$80 per year in 1878. By 1880, the Elks decided that the Exalted Grand Ruler should receive personal mileage when visiting subordinate lodges. They probably felt the lodge visited would care for him in other ways.

Commercialism Fought During this period, the first

step was taken to guard against commercialism, when the statutes were amended to prohibit any member from using his certificate of membership or exposing any emblem of the order as a sign in his business transactions.

At the Grand Lodge session in 1886, a motion for an amendment to the constitution providing for state grand lodges was defeated. There was no district deputy in the district where the Exalted Grand Ruler lived.

A movement was begun in 1886 to make the meetings of the Grand Lodge migratory, that is, meet in different towns. Such moves were unsuccessful at first, but in 1888, the motion was passed.

A decision to meet in Cleveland in 1890 led to a temporary cleavage in the order. Grand Secretary Moreland led a legal battle to secure a ruling that the action of the Grand Lodge in meeting anywhere except in New York was illegal.

Members Expelled As a result, Moreland and the New York lodge were expelled.

Legal action preventing the "migration" was unsuccessful, and Moreland and the New York lodge were finally restored to membership in 1893.

The "forget-me-not" was adopted as the emblem of the order during the early 1890's, and the royal purple was used as the official color.

The first participations by the Elks in local emergencies were at the Johnstown, Pa., flood, and a Seattle, Wash., fire.

A disagreement between the Grand Exalted Ruler and the Board of Trustees threatened to tear the order apart from 1893 to 1895, but peace and harmony were finally restored.

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